

Extraordinary healthcare from the heart — one person at a time

February 2, 2010

The Honorable Tammy Baldwin U.S. House of Representatives 2446 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-4902

Dear Congresswoman Baldwin:

On behalf of Sauk Prairie Memorial Hospital & Clinics, I am writing to urge you to support funding a digital mammography unit and CR readers for the Sauk Prairie area. This equipment will not only provide better images of the breast, but will also allow physicians in small, rural clinics to consult with imaging specialists in a real-time environment.

Although the Sauk County area is predominantly rural, its citizens have become used to our hospital providing high-quality, high-tech services with a personal touch. This is reflected in our Mission Statement: Extraordinary Healthcare from the heart – one person at a time. Our employees are proud to be employed by an independent facility that takes care of the healthcare needs of their families and neighbors.

Your support of this funding will allow us to continue to invest in the healthcare needs of the communities we serve. Please feel free to stop by the hospital when you are in the area – we are justifiably proud of our staff and the services we provide. Most recently, HealthGrades gave our joint replacement services a "Five-Star" rating, putting us in the top 10% of all hospitals in the country and one of our clinics received a Regional Clinical Excellence Award for cervical and breast cancer screening.

Thank you for supporting the healthcare needs of our communities.

Sincerely,

Larry J. Schroeder, FACHE

Chief Executive Officer